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Restoration Work for the 70 Fire Begins

REDDING – Work began earlier this week on a \$1 million roadside restoration project along portions of State Route 70 that were ravaged by the recent wildfire known as the 70 Fire. An emergency contract has been awarded to Hat Creek Construction, Inc., of Burney to complete a variety of work that includes replacing burnt sign and posts, metal beam guardrail sections, reconstructing drainage facilities and securing the affected area with erosion control measures. Burnt vegetation and selected trees damaged by the fire will be removed from the roadside area to eliminate the possibility of falling across SR 70 at a later date. The project will receive a high work priority so the scheduled work is completed prior to the approaching rainy season.

The project limits are from 1.3 miles east of Big Bend/Pinkston Roads to 1.5 miles east of Grandview Station on SR 70, northeast of Oroville.

Workers and equipment will be in and around the construction zone Monday through Sunday between the hours of 6:00 AM and 6:00 PM. Motorists will be subject to one-way traffic controlled by flaggers. Delays of up to 10 minutes may be expected during the work hours.

Motorists are asked to reduce their speed and drive with caution when approaching the construction zone. Workers on the ground and heavy equipment will be in close proximity to the centerline of the highway.

The Caltrans Resident Engineer for the project will be Abel Huerta.

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